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SUBJECT: PRESS COVERAGE OF EXCHANGE OF MESSAGES BETWEEN
PRESIDENTS FORD AND TSATSOS

REF: ATHENS 4574

1. ALL ATHENS NON-COMMUNIST NEWSPAPERS CARRIED THE FULL TEXT OR EXCERPTS ON JUNE 26 OF PRESIDENT FORD'S CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT TSATSOS. ON JUNE 27 MOST DAILIES CARRIED THE TEXT OF PRESIDENT TSATSOS' MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT FORD IN REPLY (WHICH WAS APPARENTLY TRANMITTED DIRECTLY SINCE WE DID NOT RECEIVE IT). COVERAGE WAS FAIRLY PROMINENT AND ONE NEWSPAPER (ELEFTHEROS KOSMOS - CONSERVATIVE) CARRIED PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE TWO PRESIDENTS.

2. FOLLOWING IS OUR UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF THE TEXT OF PRESIDENT TSATSOS' MESSAGE TO THE PRESIDENT:
BEGIN TEXT: I THANK YOU WARMLY FOR YOUR KIND WORDS WHICH WERE ADDRESSED NOT ONLY TO ME BUT THROUGH ME ALSO TO THE ENTIRE GREEK PEOPLE. OUR TWO NATIONS EMERGED AS INDEPENDENT STATES THANKS TO THEIR PASSION FOR FREEDOM AND FOR THE DEMOCRATIC FORM OF THEIR SOCIETY. THEY BELIEVE FIRMLY IN THESE PRINCIPLES AS WELL AS IN COMPLETE AND REAL PEACE, AND IN A DIALOGUE OF EQUALITY AND GOOD FAITH BETWEEN MEN AND PEOPLES.

3. SINCE YOU, ON THE WORLD SCENE, AND WE, IN THE NARROWER
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YET CRITICAL AREA IN WHICH HISTORY HAS PLACED US, ARE

MOVED BY THESE PRINCIPLES, THE FRIENDLY AND FRUITFUL
COOPERATION OF OUR PEOPLES WILL ALWAYS PROSPER IN THE
END, DESPITE ALL THE POSSIBLE INTERVENING DIFFICULTIES.
I AM SURE, MR. PRESIDENT, WE WILL BOTH ACHIEVE WITH SUCCESS
OUR DUTY TO MARCH TOWARD THIS GOAL, WHICH A LONG TRADITION
DICTATES TO US, NOT ONLY FOR THE GOOD OF THE GREEK AND
AMERICAN PEOPLES, BUT ALSO FOR WORLD PEACE AND JUSTICE.
END TEXT.
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